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# **Subpart A—Introduction**

### §22.1 Purpose of regulations.

The regulations contained in this part govern the taking, possession, and transportation of bald and golden eagles for scientific, educational, and depredations control purposes and for the religious purposes of Indian tribes. The import, export, purchase, sale, or barter of bald or golden eagles, their parts, nests, or eggs is not permitted by any regulation of this subchapter B.

### §22.2 Scope of regulations.

(a) Bald eagles, alive or dead, or their parts, nests, or eggs lawfully acquired prior to June 8, 1940, and golden eagles, alive or dead, or their parts, nests, or eggs lawfully acquired prior to October 24, 1962, may be possessed, or transported without a Federal permit, but may not be imported, exported, pur-

chased, sold, traded, bartered, or offered for purchase, sale, trade or barter; and all shipments containing such birds, parts, nests, or eggs must be marked as provided by 18 U.S.C. 44 and §14.81 of this subchapter: *Provided*, That no exemption from any statute or regulation shall accrue to any offspring of such birds.

(b) The provisions in this part are in addition to, and are not in lieu of, other regulations of this subchapter B which may require a permit or prescribe additional restrictions or conditions for the importation, exportation, and interstate transportation of wild-life (see also part 13 of this subchapter).

### §22.3 Definitions.

In addition to definitions contained in part 0 of this subchapter, and unless the context otherwise requires, in this part 22:

Area nesting population means the number of pairs of golden eagles known to have a resting attempt during the preceding 12 months within a 10-mile radius of a golden eagle nest.

Golden eagle nest means any readily identifiable structure built, maintained or occupied by golden eagles for propagation purposes.

Inactive nest means a golden eagle nest that is not currently used by golden eagles as determined by the absence of any adult, egg, or dependent young at the nest during the 10 days before the nest is taken.

Nesting attempt means any activity by golden eagles involving egg laying and incubation as determined by the presence of an egg attended by an adult, an adult in incubation posture, or other evidence indicating recent use of a golden eagle nest for incubation of eggs or rearing of young.

*Person* means an individual, corporation, partnership, trust, association, or any other private entity, or any officer, employee, agent, department, or instrumentality of any State or political subdivision of a State.

Resource development or recovery includes, but is not limited to, mining, timbering, extracting oil, natural gas and geothermal energy, construction of roads, dams, reservoirs, power plants,